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**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC SELF-ALIGNING DOCKING OF A COUCH  
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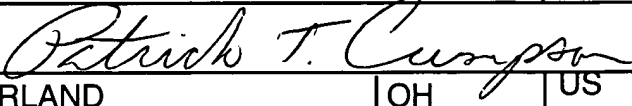
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